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COLEMAN ELECTED HEAD NEW BOARD

SUPERVISORS NAME VETERAN.
LAWTON MAN CHAIRMAN
WEDNESDAY. KIRBY PRE-
SENTS HIS NAME.

CO-OPERATE WITH FARMERS

Committee Appointed to Confer With
County Agent for Plans to Increase
Production of Farms.

The Board of Supervisors met at the Court House for a one day session on Wednesday. The entire Board was present, and the business transacted for the day as follows:—

Supervisor E. J. Kirby placed the name of Sheldon Coleman of Antwerp in nomination for Chairman, and Wm. Burge did likewise for Supervisor Gaynor. The result of the ballot was eleven for Coleman and ten for Gaynor. Chairman Coleman will announce his committee appointments at a later date.

County Farm agent, Farrant addressed the Board on the co-operation with the farmers in the production of crops during the coming war times. A committee composed of supervisors Paul Smith, E. A. Chase and H. J. Slonaker was appointed to confer with Mr. Farrant and formulate plans.

Supervisors Burger, Doyle and Long were appointed to work with the Superintendents of the Poor in the installation of a heating plant for the County farm.

Two changes were made in the location of County Roads to be built this year. The mile on the south side of Paw Paw township will start at the corporation limits, and the Decatur end of the road will be moved nearer that village. Also the mile in Almena township will start at Almena center instead of original location. A monster petition was presented to change the location of the Lawrence-Bangor road, but the Board are without authority to act until it has been passed upon by the commissioners and the petition was tabled. The sum of \$25.00 was appropriated for flowers on the Court House lawn.

DR. COLMAN ENLISTED IN MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS.

Mattawan can boast of probably the first recruit of Van Buren county to join the Army since the outbreak of hostilities with the imperial government of Germany. The veteran Doctor and Surgeon M. A. Colman of that village made prompt application on the declaration of war, for a place with the Medical Reserve Corps of the U. S. Army. He was accepted and is now awaiting the call. He expects to be summoned to Fort Reno New Mexico. Hurrah for the Doctor.

SUMMER STYLES ARE HERE AT THE POPULAR HAT SHOP.

The Popular Hat Shop is now showing a swell line of Summer millinery. The new goods are arriving and the styles are superb. Never has a more nifty and pleasing showing of Summer millinery been shown in Paw Paw. Don't make a selection without first looking over our new patterns and styles. It will please us to have you come in at any time and make a careful inspection of the new line that has just been received. The Popular Hat Shop, Miss A. M. Lupnitz, proprietor. (adv)

MICHIGAN BUTTER CO. HAS BOUGHT LOCAL MILK ROUTE.

The Michigan Butter company has bought the milk route and the output of the Mile End Dairy, C. W. Bilsborrow proprietor. The route will start under the new management Saturday of this week. The Paw Paw branch of this institution under the management of E. H. Colby has done a wonderful business, and is still growing. A new boiler has been recently installed, and many other improvements are planned. It is the intention of Mr. Colby to improve the milk route service and give the people of Paw Paw first class service in every particular.

FINE PARAMOUNT FEATURE SHOWN AT THE IDLE HOUR.

The Paramount feature "The Warrens of Virginia" was one of the finest and most thrilling pictures ever shown on the screen in Paw Paw. It was shown to a fair audience and every one was delighted with it. A large company from Lawton came over to see the second show. Manager Decker has some splendid Paramount features in store for the future. Next Wednesday night, Wm. Farman in "The Virginian". Every lover of high class "Movies" should patronize the splendid features and give the management the encouragement he merits. Paramount features are the best in the business.

MISS MARGARET COLE WILL TEACH HERE NEXT YEAR.

Miss Margaret Cole was home from Allegan during vacation last week. Miss Margaret will be a member of the Paw Paw School faculty next year. She is an exceptionally talented and cultured young lady, who has had wonderful success as teacher in Allegan city schools the past year. Paw Paw is indeed fortunate in securing her services, besides it will be very pleasant for the young lady as she will be at home. She succeeds Miss Florence Kelley in the First Grade and Kindergarten department, who will not teach next year. Miss Kelley, has been one of the best teachers we have had in this department, and the Board of Education and patrons regret her decision to give up the work, but are looking forward to a worthy successor in Miss Cole.

AUCTION ADVERTISED FOR EDGEWATER FARM TUESDAY.

The True Northerner advertises an Auction sale for L. W. Arnold at his "Edgewater Farm" west end of Pugsley's Lake on Tuesday, April 17th. It will be a big auction, comprising a fine list of stock, farming tools and accessories that are worth while. A quarter page "ad" in this issue will give an idea of the excellence of the articles offered for sale. We are not fully advised of the plans of the Arnolds, but it is to be sincerely hoped that this splendid family may decide to remain with us. Haydon has not been strong since his operation, and it is deemed necessary for him to "take it easy" this summer. We understand they will make their home for a time at least at the "Edgewater Farm."

DEATH OF MRS. EMMETT RHODES NORTHRUP.

The remains of Mrs. Emmett Northrup, for many years a resident of Paw Paw were buried in Prospect cemetery Wednesday. Her maiden name was Delia Rhodes, and she was born in Wisconsin, July 18th, 1852. She died of heart trouble at her home in Janesville, Wisconsin. Mr. and Mrs. Northrup were residents of Paw Paw for many years, leaving here for their Wisconsin home some fifteen years ago. She was well known here, and universally loved and respected. Her death came as a great shock to her friends. Rev. E. W. Smith officiated at the burial services.

EFFORTS TO SECURE FUNDS FOR LIBRARY SUCCESSFUL.

The effort of Attorney T. J. Cavanaugh in the interest of a public library for Paw Paw has been successful. A communication from the Carnegie Corporation of New York assures Paw Paw a gift of \$10,000 for the building. A site must be procured, and certain sums guaranteed each year for maintenance. However that will be an easy matter, and Paw Paw citizens will rejoice to know that the proposed library is now practically an assured fact.

Jim O'Grady spent Tuesday last in Kalamazoo with the representative of the Hart, Shaffner and Marx Co., selecting new goods for the popular clothing and haberdashery.

The Emporium has just received one hundred and fifty new copyright books and would be pleased to have you come in and look them over. (adv)

Foster, the photographer is making five dozen panel photos to be shown on the screen at the Memorial Hall during the Horton illustrated lectures commencing Sunday night next.

Display the Red, White & Blue

Flag Goes to Every Subscriber with Compliments of The True Northerner
Show Your Colors and Give it a Prominent Place in Your Front Window

We desire to heartily commend the citizens of Paw Paw and vicinity who have given expression to their patriotic sentiments by placing Old Glory in their windows. The Stars and Stripes are now displayed from a majority of the business places in our village, and many residences have put out the flag since our last issue. But why can't every business place and every residence show a flag? This is the United States of America, and we are now at war with a foreign nation. The flag is our national emblem, the most beautiful and the most glorious of any flag in the universe. To preserve its honor and integrity, our forefathers fought and died. Why not everybody show their patriotism and loyalty to the government which gives us protection. Put the Red, White and Blue in the window. Put it on all the buildings and flag poles. Put it up on the depot, at the water works plant, on the factories and at the Municipal Lighting Plant. Put it on the Churches, for Christianity is a Militant religion. Put the flag on your automobile, put it everywhere. Again we mention the fact that no flag floats from the school house. There may be a good reason, but it seems to us as though the reason might be removed. Its absence there is the subject of comment among the patriotic citizens of the village and justly so. The law not only requires it and makes it obligatory, but it is right for it to be there from every possible standpoint. It should be some one's business to attend to it, and see that a flag of proper dimensions floats from the dome of the school house and without delay.

With this issue we are enclosing a beautiful little flag, with stickers to attach the same to the inside of a window. We have gone to considerable expense to provide these flags, and take real pleasure and pride in presenting one of these beautiful emblems to each of our subscribers with the compliments of The True Northerner. It is not an advertising scheme in any sense of the word. We ask no pecuniary return, but we do want to do our part in awakening the community to a realization of its duty in this hour of national peril. If we succeed our reward is ample. We have just one request to make and only one in extending this courtesy, and that is:—That every recipient of these flags forthwith display it to the public. Put it in the window and leave it there as evidence of your patriotism and loyalty to your country. If you have been unable to get a flag, that excuse is now removed. If you are a patriotic American citizen, with red blood in your veins, and we know that you are, don't put it off any longer, but give expression now to your patriotic sentiments and display the red, white and blue.

The many neighbors and friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Aseltine who enjoyed and appreciated the auto rides to and from the Tabernacle meetings in the Aseltine car very pleasantly surprised them at their home last Monday evening. At the close of a most pleasant evening the host and hostess were presented with a dozen Frappe glasses in appreciation of their courtesy.

Foster the photographer, has been busy the past week distributing patriotic buttons for coat lapels. "America First" is the inscription placed over the flag on the button. Have you got yours yet Mr. Foster has just installed a phone in his studio. 94 is the number.

A card from F. G. Shaefer states they will soon start for home. They are having fine weather in the South land, and Frank says that he "has ordered fine weather for the return trip to Old Michigan."

Postmaster Cole desires to state through the columns of The True Northerner, that all who desire information relative to enlistment can obtain the same at the post office.

Prosecuting Attorney Adams desires to say that he has received explicit instructions from the Secretary of State to enforce the Auto License Laws. Any one driving now without a license is liable to arrest.

Thomas Dorgan of Kalamazoo was in Paw Paw on Thursday.

S. B. Horton, formerly of Washington, D. C. will deliver a series of lectures at Memorial Hall commencing Sunday evening at 7:30 P. M. Mr. Horton will take up the subject of the great European War, what it really means to the whole world. There will be stereopticon pictures, also illustrated songs and question box. The meeting will continue ten days.

Mrs. Whitney who has been South with her daughter Mrs. Will Payne for the winter arrived in Paw Paw last Friday looking hale and hearty and feeling fine. She says that Mr. and Mrs. Payne will arrive home in about six weeks.

Mrs. Gertrude Barrows Weston rendered a pleasing whistling solo for the meeting of the Presbyterian ladies at the home of Mrs. Mutchler last Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Dennis Graine, formerly of Paw Paw had the misfortune to fall and sustain a compound fracture of one of her arms the first of the week. The accident happened at her home in Kalamazoo.

Mrs. F. R. Hess who has been in Bronson hospital at Kalamazoo underwent a serious operation last Monday and at this writing is getting along nicely.

Saturday, April 14th, we will have a special sale on Brown and White lined covered casseroles for only 49 cents. Laverty's Variety Store. (adv)

JUNIOR CLASS PLAY WAS A GOOD COMEDY WELL PLAYED.

The Junior Class High School play "A College Town" was played to a packed house last Friday night, and was repeated to a fair sized audience on Monday evening. It was one of the most breezy, snappy and well played comedies ever put on by the local schools. The parts were all exceptionally well taken and some of the young actors and actresses appeared like real professionals. Those who took part, their teachers and Mrs. Leo Warner who directed the rehearsals are all entitled to much credit for the success of the splendid entertainment. A nice tidy sum was realized for the class.

FINE EASTER CONCERT AT M. E. CHURCH LAST SUNDAY.

At the Easter Concert given in the Methodist Church last Sunday evening the illuminated cross was used. An anthem by the choir was followed by a short address by the pastor Rev. A. O. Carman, when the members of the Sunday school, under the direction of Mrs. Adams told of the Resurrection of our Lord in story and song. A scripture reading of an account of the Resurrection by Metta Smith; "Crowning of the Cross" by the Standard Bearers; "Ring Ye Easter Bells," by the Rings Heralds; "Come See Where the Savior Lay," by the Willing Workers; a solo "Easter Lillies," by Irene Gibbs; "Six Wee Violets," given by six wee girls in violet bonnets and "Waking of the Flowers," by the Primary class. The entire school led by the superintendent, Mrs. Carman sang a group of songs telling of the Cross which closed a wonderful program.

CYRIL BAILEY FORGING TO FRONT AS COLLEGE ORATOR

The Michigan Daily of April 3rd, gives an account of the annual dinner celebrating the seventy-fourth anniversary of the Alpha Nu Debating society. We are pleased to note that a Paw Paw boy Cyril E. Bailey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bailey was one of the speakers. Cyril is a Senior in the Literary department of the University. He is making his way through college entirely on his own resources, stands high in all departments of college activities and we predict a brilliant future for this scholarly and ambitious young man. As one of the retiring presidents of the Alpha Nu Debating society, Cyril was one of three who were presented with gavel at the close of the dinner.

METHODIST RECEPTION IS MOST PLEASING FUNCTION.

Notwithstanding the cold, rainy weather the reception at the Methodist church last Thursday evening was a success. The beautiful, newly decorated parlors was the reception room where the new members and the old members as well were given a hearty welcome.

The program in charge of Miss Mable Chaffee made every one feel at home. Words of welcome were spoken by the pastor, the Epworth League President, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees and by the President of the Ladies Aid. These were interspersed with songs and readings, which all enjoyed.

At the close of the program, the guests were ushered into the dining parlor above, where supper was served. The members of this church are taking great pleasure in renewing activities in their beautifully re-decorated and repaired church building.

JAMES M. McLEOD.

James M. McLeod was born in Bathurst township Canada, West on August 22nd, 1848, and passed away at his late residence two miles north-west of Paw Paw on April 8th, 1917. Mr. McLeod was of Scotch descent and came to Paw Paw on December 12th, 1883. He was a fine type of citizen, esteemed and respected by all who knew him. He became affiliated with the Masonic fraternity in his young manhood at Three Rivers, and later joined Paw Paw lodge No. 25. He also became a member of the commandery at Three Rivers. He leaves to mourn her death, a widow, and two children, Burt McLeod of Paw Paw and Mable Welch of Milwaukee, besides two grand children. The funeral was held at the home on Wednesday afternoon and interment was at Prospect cemetery with the Masonic fraternity in charge.

WOULD ENCOURAGE FOOD PRODUCTION

JUDGE DES VOIGNES OFFERS
\$300.00 IN PRIZES TO YOUNG
PEOPLE OF CASS AND VAN
BUREN COUNTIES.

RENDERS PATRIOTIC SERVICE

Special Premiums to be Awarded at
Van Buren County Fair Next Fall.
Chance for Every Boy and Girl.

To encourage the young people of Van Buren and Cass counties to help solve the problem of an adequate food supply during the present national crisis, Judge L. B. Des Voignes, circuit Judge of the thirty-sixth judicial circuit, has offered over \$300 in cash premiums for the best achievements in food production during the coming summer, the premiums to be awarded at the Van Buren county fair to be held in Hartford from October 2nd, to 5th.

After serving twelve years as Circuit Judge, a desire to render some service to the boys and girls of the two counties which comprise his circuit has prompted Judge Des Voignes to contribute over \$300 to encourage their interest in agricultural matters.

Plans to offer his special premiums at the coming county fair were evolved by Judge Des Voignes several weeks ago, but he declined to make them public until after the election of April 2nd, at which he was a candidate for reelection as Circuit Judge. The agricultural experts whose assistance he sought in arranging his schedule of premiums were pledged to secrecy, and not until last Friday did the generous action of the Circuit Judge become known.

Judge Des Voignes characterizes the production of food as a patriotic service, and the newspapers of the two counties have an opportunity to share in that service by giving the widest publicity to his offer and encouraging the young people for the premiums.

The True Northerner is privileged to present the plan in detail as announced by the Judge, together with the premiums to be paid. He says:

To THE BOYS AND GIRLS OF VAN BUREN AND CASS COUNTIES.

Our country is preparing for a war of self defense, possibly a series of such wars, and sooner or later universal service may be required of us.

Do you know what universal service means? It means that the days of "richmen's wars and poor men's fight" have passed, and as every one's life, property and labor rightfully belong first to the country, that each shall be required to give life, property or service in such a way as shall seem best for the general welfare whenever the country is in need.

The basic problem of equipment for successful warfare is food production and our government is wisely seeking through its many agencies to arouse those who have this in their keeping, the farmers, to a realization of its coming need, and to the fact that never within the memory of those living has there been so universal a demand for food and so universal a lack of it.

In the countries now at war farmers and men essential to food production are exempt to all other service, and those who have volunteered for the trenches are furloughed at seed time and harvest.

We have the soil to feed the world, if cultivated with the same efficiency as we have developed in manufacturing and commerce and patriotism may be as well shown in zeal to support armies as in the actual service therein.

For the purpose of stimulating you to the study and practice of agricultural efficiency, in a field that offers rich rewards and most satisfactory and independent of lives, I offer the following prizes for accomplishments, to be competed for and awarded at the annual county fair at Hartford this fall, viz:

AGRICULTURAL DIVISION.
CORN GROWING CONTEST.

Limited to young men not above eighteen years of age, residents of Van Buren or Cass counties. Ex-

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